

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, December 5, 2006, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman  
Brad Molnar, Vice Chairman  
Doug Mood, Commissioner  
Robert H. Raney, Commissioner  
Thomas J. Schneider, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Scott Fabel, Utility Division

(451) In the matter of N2006.11.169-Sprint. Sprint filed revisions to its Montana P.S.C Price List No. 1.

Commissioner Raney moved to approve Sprint's revisions to its Montana P.S.C. Price List No.1 in Docket N2006.11.169. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(452) In the matter of N2006.11.170-Qwest. On November 17, 2006, Qwest filed Tariff Transmittal 06-19 to eliminate USOC CLH from its tariff.

Commissioner Raney moved to approve Qwest's Tariff Transmittal 06-19 in Docket N2006.11.170. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator  
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(453) In the matter of T-06.31.PCN-Valet Limousine LLC, Missoula, Mt. Valet Limousine LLC filed an application to remove seating restrictions from existing authorities issued under PCN No. 7172 and to further revise Sub K issued under PSC No. 7172. The application was noticed and a protest was filed. Applicant's attorney asked for a stay of Commission proceedings.

Commissioner Mood moved to approve the stay as requested. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(454) In the matter of T-06.33.ST-City Cab, Inc. On October 6, 2006 City Cab, Inc. Billings, Montana filed an application to transfer PSC No. 7489 to Willson LLC dba City Cab, Billings, Montana.

Commissioner Raney moved to approve City Cab, Inc. application to transfer PSC No. 7489 to Willson LLC. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(455) In the matter of Commission Minutes Week of November 27, 2006.

Commissioner Raney moved to approve the minutes for the week of November 27, 2006. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Administrator, Legal Division  
Dave Burchett, Utility Division

(456) In the matter of D2006.11.168-Mountain Water Company. Mountain Water Company Application for Changes to Main Extension Tariffs.

Commissioner Mood moved to issue a notice of opportunity for public hearing with the necessary clarification regarding PSC review and decision regarding a hearing. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Legal Division

(457) In the matter of N2006.11.164-Coral Energy Resources, L.P. On November 13, 2006, Coral Energy Resources L.P., applied for a natural gas supplier license. Accompanying the application is a motion for protective order related to consolidated financial statements supporting information of the applicant and applicant's parent company.

Commissioner Raney moved to deny the motion without prejudice in that the Commission state in its NCA that this filing is not deemed complete until the financial statements are filed with the Commission. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(458) In the matter of amendment of PSC protective order rules. Repeal 38.2.5016.

Commissioner Raney moved to issue a Notice of Public Hearing on the proposed rule change on PSC protective orders. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(459) In the matter of 2007 Legislation-Natural Gas USB continued discussion, direction and action on PSC draft legislation.

Commissioner Raney moved to accept the changes indicated by staff and Commissioner Schneider and proceed to secure legislation bill draft request. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 4-1. Commissioner Molnar voted no.

APPEARANCE

Bryan Baldwin and Eric Dahlgren Utility Division

(460) In the matter of N2006.5.60. Commission consideration of the adoption of Energy Policy Act of 2005.

Commissioner Raney moved to issue as a final order the draft order in Docket N2006.5.60. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Kate Whitney, Administrator  
Utility Division

(461) In the matter of North American Electricity Reliability Council (NERC). Discuss registration of PSC as member of NERC and obtain direction regarding staff involvement in NERC activities.

Commissioner Raney moved that the MT PSC register as a member of NERC and appoint Eric Dahlgren as the representative. Commissioner Raney withdrew the motion.

Commissioner Raney moved that the MT PSC register as a member of NERC and appoint chairman Jergeson as primary member, and Eric Dahlgren as an alternative member of the organization. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(462) In the matter of Northern Tier Transmission Group (NTTG). Consider designating a Commissioner as a member of the NTTG steering committee and obtain direction regarding staff participation in NTTG'S activities.

Commissioner Schneider moved that we participate in the Northern Tier Transmission Group, that Commissioner Mood be the representative on the steering group as the PSC member, and that the steering group also have a representative of the Montana Consumer Council. Commissioner Raney seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

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GREG JERGSON, Chairman

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BRAD MOLNAR, Vice Chairman

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DOUG MOOD, Commissioner

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ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

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THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones  
Commission Secretary